

enclosed Appendix A. (Appendix B, which is enclosed herewith, shows how currently pending Claims 1, 3, 4, 9, and 13-15 were amended to produce amended Claims 1, 3, 4, 9, and 13-15. In Appendix B, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.)

Please add new Claims 18-38, which are set forth in the enclosed Appendix G.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 3 of the specification (see lines 1-8 on page 3) with the amended paragraph that is set forth on page 1 of Appendix C, which is enclosed herewith.

(Appendix D, which is enclosed herewith, shows how the first paragraph on page 3 of the specification was amended to produce the amended paragraph that is set forth in Appendix C. In Appendix D, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.)

Please replace the last paragraph on page 8 of the specification (see lines 10-16 on page 8) with the amended paragraph that is set forth on page 2 of Appendix C. (Appendix D shows how the last paragraph on page 8 of the specification was amended to produce the amended paragraph that is set forth in Appendix C. In Appendix D, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.)

Please replace the last paragraph on page 9 of the specification (see lines 12-23 on page 9) with the amended paragraph that is set forth on page 3 of Appendix C. (Appendix D shows how the last paragraph on page 9 of the specification was amended to produce